

# Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the After Final Amendment filed on 13<sup>th</sup> of March 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 12,24-30 and 40-48.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).


\* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  5. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date 7.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

## Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

  
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Receipt Acknowledgement***

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the Amendment After Final filed on 13<sup>th</sup> of March 2006. Claims 24-29, 40, 41, and 43-47 have been amended; claims 23, 39, and 49-67 have been canceled; and no claim has been newly added since the Final Office Action was mailed on 9<sup>th</sup> of December 2005. The amendment places the Application in condition for allowance by way of changing the dependency of the claims 40-48 from the canceled claim 39 to the allowed independent claim 12, and changing the dependency of the claims 24-29 from the canceled claim 23 to the allowed independent claim 30, and thus this amendment is entered. Currently, claims 12, 24-30, and 40-48 are pending in this Application.

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

2. Claims 12, 24-30, and 40-48 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With respect to claims 12 and 30, the statement of reasons for the indication of their allowable subject matters were discussed in the prior Office Action (paper no. 10) mailed on 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2002, such that: the limitations of those claims are deemed allowable over the prior art of record as the prior art fails to teach or suggest that said controller confiscates sub-buses from cards whose bus demand value without said confiscated sub-buses is lower than said bus demand value of a different card after said confiscated sub-buses are transferred to it.

The claims 40-48 are dependent claims of the claim 12, and the claims 24-29 are dependent claims of the claim 30.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

*Drawings*

4. The Application having been allowed, formal drawings are required in response to this Office Action. The Examiner notices that the Applicants filed formal drawings on 2<sup>nd</sup> of April 2003. However, each drawing sheet submitted in the formal drawings was not labeled in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

*Conclusion*

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher E. Lee whose telephone number is 571-272-3637. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30am - 5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rehana Perveen can be reached on 571-272-3676. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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